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DEVICE FOR RECEIVING OBLONG OBJECTS APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US KURTH, Martin Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. The US has been elected (Article 31). ಠ with the U.S. Postal Service hereby certify that this paper is being deposited today A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450 is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). has been communicated by the International Bureau. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). is attached hereto. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). have been communicated by the International Bureau. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. have not been made and will not be made. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). 10. Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 12. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. A preliminary amendment. An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. A substitute specification.

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A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825.

A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).

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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37-CFR 1.5) PCT/EP2005/001910 16-981P/US 20. Other items or information: The following fees have been submitted CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY 300.00 21. Basic national fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)).......\$300 ∇ Examination fee (37 CFR 1.492(c)) \$ If the written opinion prepared by ISA/US or the international preliminary examination report prepared 200.00 All other situations.....\$200 Search fee (37 CFR 1.492(b)) If the written opinion of the ISA/US or the International preliminary examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)......\$0
Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority.....\$100 International Search Report prepared by an ISA other than the US and provided to the Office or previously communicated to the US by the IB......\$400 400.00 All other situations.....\$500 900.00 TOTAL OF 21, 22 and 23 = Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing in compliance with 37 CFR 1.821(c) or (e) or computer program listing in an electronic medium) (37 CFR 1.492(j)). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof. **Total Sheets** Extra Sheets Number of each additional 50 or fraction RATE thereof (round up to a whole number) /50 = - 100 = x \$250 Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing any of the search fee, examination fee, or the oath or declaration after the date of commencement of the national stage (37 CFR 1.492(h)). **CLAIMS** NUMBER FILED NUMBER EXTRA RATE \$ Total claims 5 - 20 = 0 x \$50 \$ Independent claims \$ - 3 = 0 \$200 MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable) + \$360 \$ 900.00 **TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =** Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by 1/2. 900.00 SUBTOTAL = Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest \$ claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(i)). 900.00 **TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =** Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = 900.00 Amount to be \$ refunded: Amount to be \$ charged

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